

eral Laws, entitled "Husband and Wife," be and the same is hereby repealed and the following substituted in lieu thereof.

2. The property acquired or owned according to the provisions of the preceding section by a married woman, she shall hold for her separate use with power of devising the same as fully as if she were a *feme sole*, or she may convey the same by a joint deed with her husband, or authorize an agent or attorney to sell and convey the same by a power of attorney executed jointly with her husband; or when the husband is a lunatic or insane and has been so found upon inquisition, and said finding remains unreversed and in force, she may convey the same as fully as if she were a *feme sole*, by her separate deed, whether the same be absolute or by way of mortgage; provided, that if she die intestate and leaving children, her husband shall have a life estate in her property, real and personal, but if she die intestate leaving no children, her husband shall have a life estate in her real property, and her personal property shall vest in him absolutely; any married woman may be sued jointly with her husband in any of the courts of this State, or before any justice of the peace, or any note, bill of exchange, single bill, bond, contract or agreement which she may have executed jointly with her husband, and may employ counsel and defend such action or suit separately or jointly with her husband; and judgments recovered in such cases shall be liens on the property of defendants, and may be collected by execution or attachment in the same manner as if the defendants were not husband and wife; provided, that in all cases where a married woman has made such contract or agreement as a *feme sole* under section seven of this article, she may be proceeded against as therein provided.

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SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 3, 1890.

CHAPTER 395.

AN ACT to repeal section two hundred and fourteen, of article two, of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Anne Arundel county," sub-title "Sheriff," and to re-enact the same with amendments except so far as concerns the present incumbent of said office.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That section two hundred and fourteen, of article two, of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Anne Arundel county," sub-title "Sheriff," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows: